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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – January 18, 2021

Concord, NH – The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has issued the following update on the new coronavirus, COVID-19.

On Monday, January 18, 2021, DHHS announced 1,034 new positive test results for COVID-19, for a current PCR test positivity rate of 8.2%. Today's results include 618 people who tested positive by PCR test and 416 who tested positive by antigen test. There are now 6,444 current COVID-19 cases diagnosed in New Hampshire. Of the results reported today:

- 1/6: 36 new cases today, for an updated total of 762 cases
- 1/7: 72 new cases today, for an updated total of 952 cases
- 1/8: 80 new cases today, for an updated total of 1,089 cases
- 1/9: 111 new cases today, for an updated total of 592 cases
- 1/10: 53 new cases today, for an updated total of 936 cases
- 1/11: 50 new cases today, for an updated total of 543 cases
- 1/16: 277 new cases today, for an updated total of 578 cases
- 1/17: 355 new cases

Test results for previous days are still being processed and the total number of new positives for those days are not yet complete. Updated case counts for prior days will be reflected on the COVID-19 interactive dashboard.

Several cases are still under investigation. Additional information from ongoing investigations will be incorporated into future COVID-19 updates. Of those with complete information, there are one hundred and thirty-eight individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 50% being female and 50% being male. The new cases reside in Rockingham (271), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (191), Strafford (86), Merrimack (68), Grafton (47), Cheshire (40), Belknap (30), Sullivan (28), Carroll (25), and Coos (25) counties, and in the cities of Nashua (93) and Manchester (77). The county of residence is being determined for fifty-three new cases.

Community-based transmission continues to occur in the State and has been identified in all counties. Of those with complete risk information, most of the cases have either had close contact with a person with a confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis or are associated with an outbreak setting.

There are currently 237 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. In New Hampshire since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 57,864 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed.

Current Situation in New Hampshire

New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report (updated January 18, 2021, 9:00 AM)

NH Persons with COVID-19	57,864
Recovered	50,487 (87%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	933 (2%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	6,444
Current Hospitalizations	237
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) ₂	567,568
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests ₂	35,687
Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	65,789
Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL ₃	36

Includes specimens positive at any laboratory and those confirmed by CDC confirmatory testing.

Number of Tests Conducted by Date of Report to NH DHHS

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Tests										
Testing Laboratory	1/11	1/12	1/13	1/14	1/15	1/16	1/17	Daily Average		
NH Public Health Laboratories	124	673	853	983	844	742	140	623		
LabCorp	1,725	1,689	1,829	1,567	1,047	1,699	1,025	1,512		
Quest Diagnostics	1,011	806	1,060	1,168	1,134	900	1,237	1,045		
Mako Medical	22	252	794	911	150	229	34	342		
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	313	502	1,054	606	662	577	0	531		
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	404	576	601	502	467	393	275	460		
Other Laboratory*	1,642	3,534	3,605	1,683	3,859	2,767	1,531	2,660		
University of New Hampshire**	1,709	1,154	755	1,236	1,141	24	2	860		
Total	6,950	9,186	10,551	8,656	9,304	7,331	4,244	8,032		
Antibody Laboratory Tests										
Testing Laboratory	1/11	1/12	1/13	1/14	1/15	1/16	1/17	Daily Average		
LabCorp	4	23	14	18	21	25	5	16		
Quest Diagnostics	6	41	30	31	41	29	8	27		
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	5	5	10	11	5	4	0	6		
Other Laboratory*	22	10	21	4	7	2	0	9		
Total	37	79	75	64	74	60	13	57		

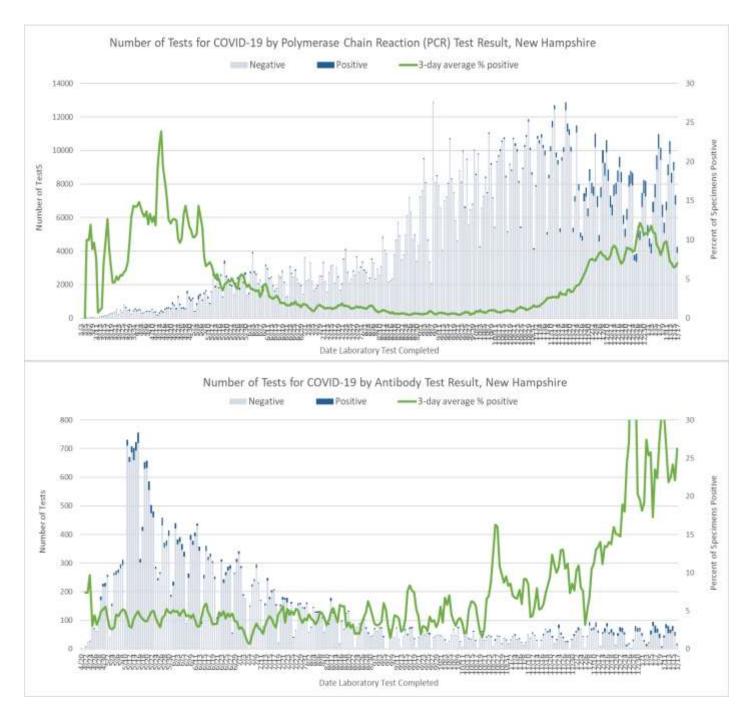
^{*} Includes out-of-state public health laboratories, out-of-state hospital laboratories, and other commercial laboratories not already listed in the table.

Note: Patients who had both antibody and polymerase chain reaction (PCR) tests are accounted for in both tables.

²Includes specimens tested at the NH Public Health Laboratories (PHL), LabCorp, Quest, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, and those sent to CDC prior to NH PHL testing capacity.

³Includes specimens received and awaiting testing at NH PHL. Does not include tests pending at commercial laboratories.

^{**} Includes tests conducted at the UNH laboartory and their contracted lab Veritas.



NH DHHS Daily Update on COVID-19 Archive

For more information, please visit the DHHS COVID-19 webpage at https://www.nh.gov/covid19.

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